

**MINUTES
REGULAR TRAFFIC COMMISSION MEETING
CITY OF SANTA FE SPRINGS
SEPTEMBER 20, 2018**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Martinez called the Traffic Commission meeting to order at 6:01 PM.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: Chairperson Martinez; Vice Chairperson Romo; Commissioners Coca and Collins

Absent: Commissioner Hayes

Also Present: Tom Lopez, Consultant Traffic Engineer; Vivian De León, Secretary; Sergeant Sam Reed, WPD Traffic Division

3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Chairperson Martinez announced that this is the time when comments may be made by interested persons on matters not on the agenda having to do with City traffic related business. There being no one person to address the Commission, Oral Communications were closed at 6:01 PM.

NEW BUSINESS

4. Traffic Bureau Report – August 2018

Sargent Reed reviewed the Traffic Bureau Report for the month of August 2018. The report reflects fifty-eight collisions (58), which is a decrease of five (5) compared to sixty-three in August 2017. There were five (5) collisions involving persons driving under the influence of alcohol/drugs; one (1) pedestrian and zero (0) bicycle collisions. There were eighteen (18) hit-and-run collisions and seven (7) collisions involving damage to city property reported. The three high collision intersections for the month were Bloomfield Avenue/Lakeland Road (2); Pioneer Boulevard/Alburtis Avenue (1) and Slauson Avenue/Sorenson Avenue (1).

Sergeant Reed noted that there were over 200 tickets issued as a result of patrol by Corporal Jakcsy.

Vice Chair Romo made a motion to receive and file the Item 04; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Collins and was approved by the Traffic Commission as follows:

Ayes: Martinez, Romo, Coca and Collins

Noes: None

Absent: Hayes

Abstain: None

5. Request for Parking Restriction on Clark Street between Springdale Avenue and Bloomfield Avenue

Mr. Lopez presented Item 05 with a brief background on the request from resident Marvin Soto of the Villages at Heritage Springs. The request indicates that truck

operators reportedly run their trucks late at night and into the early morning hours creating unwanted noise for the residents living adjacent to Clark Street. Mr. Lopez provided two brief video recordings depicting the trucks with their engines running. Mr. Soto a seven year resident of the Villages at Heritage Springs was in attendance and spoke in support of the parking restriction and provided additional information.

Commissioner Coca made a motion to recommend to the City Council that a parking restriction between the hours of 9:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. be implemented on the south side of Clark Street between Springdale Avenue and Bloomfield Avenue along with a provision for the towing of vehicles that violate the restriction; the motion was seconded by Chairperson Martinez and was approved by the Traffic Commission as follows:

Ayes: Martinez, Romo, Coca and Collins
Noes: None
Absent: Hayes
Abstain: None

6. Request for Parking Restriction on Firestone Boulevard from Marquardt Avenue to a Point east of Coyote Creek

Mr. Lopez presented Item 06 providing background for the request from Mike Thompson RV Sales for an overnight parking restriction along their Firestone Boulevard frontage to a point east of the bridge over the Coyote Creek. The main reason for the request stems from homeless people routinely parking their vehicles overnight on Firestone Boulevard and leaving trash (broken glass, food items and wrappers, etc.) along the sidewalk in the area which is at the main customer entrance to the sales office. In addition they have requested the installation of a parking restriction along Firestone Boulevard to try to deter the loitering that occurs at night in this general area and would like additional patrolling at night to discourage the dumping of trash and congregating in front of their business.

Chairperson Martinez made a motion for the Commission to recommend to the City Council that a parking restriction between the hours of 8:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. be implemented on the south side of Firestone Boulevard from Marquardt Avenue to a point 2,200 feet east of Marquardt Avenue along with a provision for the towing of vehicles that violate the restriction; Commissioner Collins seconded the motion and was approved by the Traffic Commission as follows:

Ayes: Martinez, Romo, Coca and Collins
Noes: None
Absent: Hayes
Abstain: None

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Vice Chair Romo made a motion to approve and file the minutes for August 16, 2018; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Collins and was approved by the Traffic Commission as follows:

Ayes: Martinez, Romo, Coca and Collins
Noes: None
Absent: Hayes
Abstain: None

8. COMMUNICATIONS

Commission

Commissioner Collins is pleased with the flow of traffic along Florence Avenue and Orr and Day Road.

Commissioner Coca apologized for missing the August 16, 2018 meeting.

Chairperson Martinez inquired on the procedure for residential parking permits for Fulton Wells residents due to the street being used as a storage area for vehicles from outside of the area. She observes that the street is full of parked vehicles all day and that they are only moved on street sweeping day, Wednesdays, 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Mr. Lopez indicated that permit parking areas are very difficult to administer and typically end up creating additional problems for the residents in the immediate area, especially if they have a lot of visitors and guests.

Staff

Mr. Lopez followed up on the request from the Commission on City-wide RV parking in Santa Fe Springs. He indicated that the City of Placentia has an overnight RV parking restriction in place and wanted direction on what type of information the Commission wanted from staff.

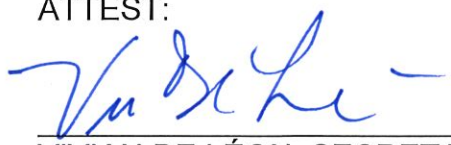
Chairperson Martinez is requesting that Dino Torres, Director of Police Services provide additional information on this item.

9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Traffic Commission, Chairperson Martinez adjourned the meeting, the time being 6:48 p.m.


ALMA MARTINEZ, CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:


VIVIAN DE LÉON, SECRETARY